

**Historic Triangle  
Bicycle Advisory Committee**

*James City County*

*City of Williamsburg*

*York County*

**Regular Meeting  
Monday, July 19, 2010, 7:00 p.m.  
Williamsburg Municipal Building, 401 Lafayette Street**

**MEETING NOTES**

Members Present: Scott Bartram, Nancy Carter, Don Cherry, Rich Thompson, Allen Turnbull, James Wirkner

Members Absent: Johann Davisson, Dorothy Geyer, John Laben, Katherine Preston, Tim Sutphin, David Wilson

Staff Present: Amy Parker, Rodney Rhodes, Luke Vinciguerra

**MINUTES OF JULY 19, 2010**

On a motion by Mr. Turnbull, duly seconded by Mr. Thompson, the April 19 minutes were unanimously approved.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

No public comments.

**VDOT ISSUES**

Mr. Weidenhammer noted at the April meeting that VDOT would have very limited representation on Boards such as HTBAC. The Committee discussed the benefit of having a VDOT representative at the meetings. The Committee discussed the possibility of having video conferences or changing the meeting times (3:00 p.m.) in order to have a VDOT representative in attendance. Mr. Bartram will contact VDOT about these options.

Mr. Cherry expressed his concern with the safety of Cranstons Mill Pond Road near the new school. He suggested that they limit the number of busses on the road or reduce the speed limit and add bike paths on both sides of the road. Mr. Vinciguerra noted that he would pass the concern along to Al Roberts, School District Facility Manager. It was noted that the issue could be looked at through the Safe Routes to School program.

Ms. Parker noted that she contacted VDOT and the repair issue along Mooretown Road would be addressed.

**PABAC MEETING**

Mr. Rhodes gave a brief summary of the April 22 PABAC meeting. Mr. Vinciguerra noted that the PABAC meeting originally scheduled for July 15 will be held in JCC on August 26.

## **BIKEWAY PROJECTS STATUS REPORT**

Mr. Rhodes noted that the City will undertake 5-6 sidewalk projects during the coming year. These projects will include the construction of a sidewalk that will serve the Holly Hills Carriage Homes Development.

Mr. Vinciguerra noted that JCC has no new bicycle projects. He stated that the Ironbound Road improvements are nearly fully funded.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Mr. Vinciguerra stated that \$126,000 was awarded to the Williamsburg/James City County Schools for physical improvements at James River Elementary. He noted that the School Board will actively pursue additional projects in the future.

Mr. Bartram stated that he would get letters out to the bike clubs in the area to solicit suggestions on bike priorities for VDOT.

Mr. Turnbull noted that the Williamsburg HTBAC representatives went on a group ride in the City with Planning Director Reed Nester. The group noted various issues that could be easily addressed to improve cycling in the City. Mr. Turnbull will prepare a list of items noted during the ride.

VDOT has agreed to post signs on Mooretown Road and East Rochambeau Road to direct the public to the Waller Mill Rail Trail.

Mr. Thompson noted that that the area needs to do a better job of promoting events. It was noted that the Chamber of Commerce has a Sports Event Committee.

Mr. Cherry noted that there is a recessed grate on Route 199 that is very deep and is a hazard to both cyclists and cars.

Mr. Vinciguerra informed the Committee that the County has requested that VDOT keep heavy utility trucks off the Capitol Trail.

Mr. Turnbull noted that bike lanes need to be put back during repaving projects.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Rhodes stated that VDOT has agreed to look into the safety concerns at the Capitol Trail crossing at Green Springs Road.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

Ms. Carter asked if there would be any improvements along Capitol Landing Road as a result of the development of the Mahone property. Mr. Rhodes stated that the development would have internal sidewalks and a pedestrian trail to Capitol Landing Road.

Mr. Vinciguerra asked the status of getting bicycle detour signs around the tunnel on the Colonial Parkway. Mr. Rhodes stated that the City was not inclined to install such signs. Mr.

Cherry noted that the Committee should send a letter to the City and members should contact City Council members about this matter.

Ms. Parker stated that a bike route guide to Civil War sites is being prepared and should be completed in 2012.

#### **CHAIRS REPORT**

No report.

Meeting adjourned 9:10 pm.